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Philip G. Wessells et al.

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For: Apparatus, method, and computer program
product for animation pad transfer

Examiner: L. V. Nguyen

RESPONSE TO 29 JUNE 2007 OFFICE COMMUNICATION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

The 29 June 2007 OFFICE Communication rejected all claims (1–3) as being anticipated by US Patent Application Publication 2002/0046195 (Martin et al.). The undersigned respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection.

The Martin reference teaches a stamp printing kiosk that includes a computing system and printing system that generates an image of a stamp and permits a user to print the generated image. The present invention, as set forth in the claims, is respectfully asserted to be patentably distinct from the Martin invention.

Claim 1:

1. (ORIGINALLY PRESENTED) An image capture method, the method comprising: